

LAFAYETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Law Enforcement Committee Minutes

October 25, 2016

The Lafayette County Board of Supervisors Law Enforcement Committee held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on October 25, 2016, in the Extension Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order at 6:29pm by Committee Chairman Gerald Heimann. Present at the meeting were Gerald Heimann, John Perkins, John Bartels, Sheriff Reg Gill, and Chief Deputy Troy Loeffelholz. Member Dwayne Larson was absent (excused). Also present were Brian Lund of the Republican Journal, Diane Lund and Anthony (Tony) Ruesga (County Board Member).

Mr. Heimann called for proof of posting. Sheriff Gill informed the committee the meeting notices were posted at the Courthouse, the Darlington Municipal Building, First Merit Bank and emailed to the Republican Journal.

Mr. Heimann asked for approval of the agenda. Discussion occurred on changes to the agenda indicating the meeting time should be 6:30pm and under action item for Approval/Signatures for resolutions to the County Board the date be changed to today's date, October 25, 2016 pertaining to new ordinances. Mr. Heimann wished to add one item, discussion on addressing Limited English phone calls to Dispatch and procedure. Mr. Bartels made a motion to approve the agenda with changes mentioned. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion. Motion approved.

The minutes from the previous meeting were presented. Mr. Bartels made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Discussion and possible action regarding costs of excavating done by the Lafayette County Highway Department for Communications Tower Project: Sheriff Gill discussed with committee the \$4300.00 cost to the highway department for excavating the tower base area. This was not included in the bid from Comelec and Comelec was not willing to pay the bill. Discussion. Sheriff Gill will discuss the matter with Tom Jean from Highway Department; Ron from Comlec and Emergency Management, about cost sharing between all to pay for this portion of the bill not in the bid.

Approval of signatures for resolutions to be presented to County Board at this evenings meeting regarding new ordinances. Copy signed.

Discussion and possible action regarding bids for 2017 new squads. Sheriff Gill discussed with committee purchase of 2017 squad cars. Will be adding costs of keyless fobs for squads. If Sheriff's Office orders squad cars prior to November 1, 2016 will be a cost saving of over \$600 per squad over the bid price for 2017. Discussion. Motion made by Mr. Perkins to order three (3) new squad cars at a cost of \$27,551.50 each this week for cost saving, for the 2017 squad car purchase. Mr. Bartels seconded the motion. Motion approved.

SHERIFF'S UPDATE / DISCUSSION & QUESTIONS:

Staffing Updates: Sheriff Gill reported to the committee the Sheriff's Office is currently at full staff. Currently training three individuals (two in jail, one in patrol) at the Sheriff's Office. Also three applications from recent recruit class from UWP/Southwest Technical College. Very good relationship with both schools and Sheriff Gill and wife attended last graduation ceremony.

Discussion on Limited English Procedures at Sheriff's Office: Mr. Heimann requested discussion on this topic. Tony Ruesga and all participated in discussion on Hispanic individuals calling 911 and law enforcement agencies and Limited English speaking abilities. Memorial Hospital does have a response line it uses. Discussion on recent Green County scenario that occurred with Hispanic related call and emergency response procedures. Discussion. Sheriff's Office will look into procedures to use for Limited English response protocols.

Tower Project Update: Sheriff Gill spoke with the committee and reported the Sheriff's Office received final approval for placing antenna on the State Tower at County J and County C in Green County. This will complete the final stage of installation for simulcast capabilities. Sheriff hopes this project will be completed yet this year.

Spillman RMS System Update: Sheriff Gill discussed Spillman implementation process and current training process. Compliments were directed to all staff assisting with Spillman implementation as progressing very positive manner. Sheriff Gill also met with the Finance Director on payment and budget concerning Spillman.

ACTION ON MONTHLY BILLS:

Discussion by Sheriff Gill. Motion made by Mr. Bartels to approve payment of bills. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion. Motion passed.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, November 15, 2016 @ 5:30pm, Emergency Management meeting to follow.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Mr. Bartels made to adjourn. Second by Mr. Perkins. Motion adjourned at 7:20pm.